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1. The field was located at  $56^{\circ}50'N/35^{\circ}46'E$  airfield, Kalinin Oblast, was 5 km south of Kalinin ( $56^{\circ}52'N/35^{\circ}55'E/56^{\circ}52'N$ ) and south of the Volga River. The field was about 3 km square and was bordered by woods on three sides. The detail of about 100 Pws assigned to construction work at the field in 1947 was reduced to about 50 between February and May 1948. Two of the three barracks blocks were occupied by 600 to 1,000 men. (1) About 70 officers, mostly lieutenants and captains, were quartered with their dependents in the officers' houses. A lieutenant colonel was commander of the field.
2. There were three four-story residential blocks for officers. Each block was about 12x60 meters and had 24 flats. A fourth block was being reconstructed and four more were half destroyed. Three four-story barracks buildings, each 15x100 meters, were 500 meters southwest of the officers' blocks. They were arranged in an open square.
3. A radio station, 200 meters southeast of the barracks, consisted of about 20 trucks with box-like bodies, some auxiliary wooden huts, earth bunkers, and about 20 masts. The masts, set up among the vehicles and huts, were up to 15 meters high. They were interconnected and had different type antennae. Some of them had grid-wire frames, about 1.5x1.8 meters; two of such rotatable frames were mounted at one mast. Several antenna systems had dipole supports, about 2 meters long, each support with five or six dipoles of 80 cm. There was no antenna system mounted on vehicles. (2)
4. About 200 twin-engine bombers with in-line engines, single and rather high rudder assembly, nose wheel and full-view cockpit were parked in the western and southern sections of the fields. (3) There was intensive flying throughout the day. The aircraft usually took off individually, but sometimes in elements of two or three. Parachute jumps were observed frequently. Five or six men jumped from one plane.

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5. Soviet officers said that the unit at the field was stationed at the Brier (P 51/W 39) airfield (Silesia) at the end of the war and in the period immediately following the war. (4)

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- (1) The reconstruction of the airfield was confirmed by reports covering the year 1949.
- (2) This is the first detailed description of the large radio station at the field. The set which consisted of dipole supports fitted on a rotatable frame are identified as the "ear set" which has been seen frequently in the Soviet Zone of Germany.
- (3) Occupation by twin-engine aircraft prior to the fall of 1948 is believed possible. The descriptive features indicate that the plane is of lend-lease type, as was previously observed. Since the Pe-2s and Tu-2 types also were previously mentioned and described rather well, it is probable that a bomber school is stationed at the field, which is equipped with all three aircraft types. The reports of 1949 indicate that the field is apparently occupied by a pilot school and a jet fighter unit.
- (4) The information is received for the first time.

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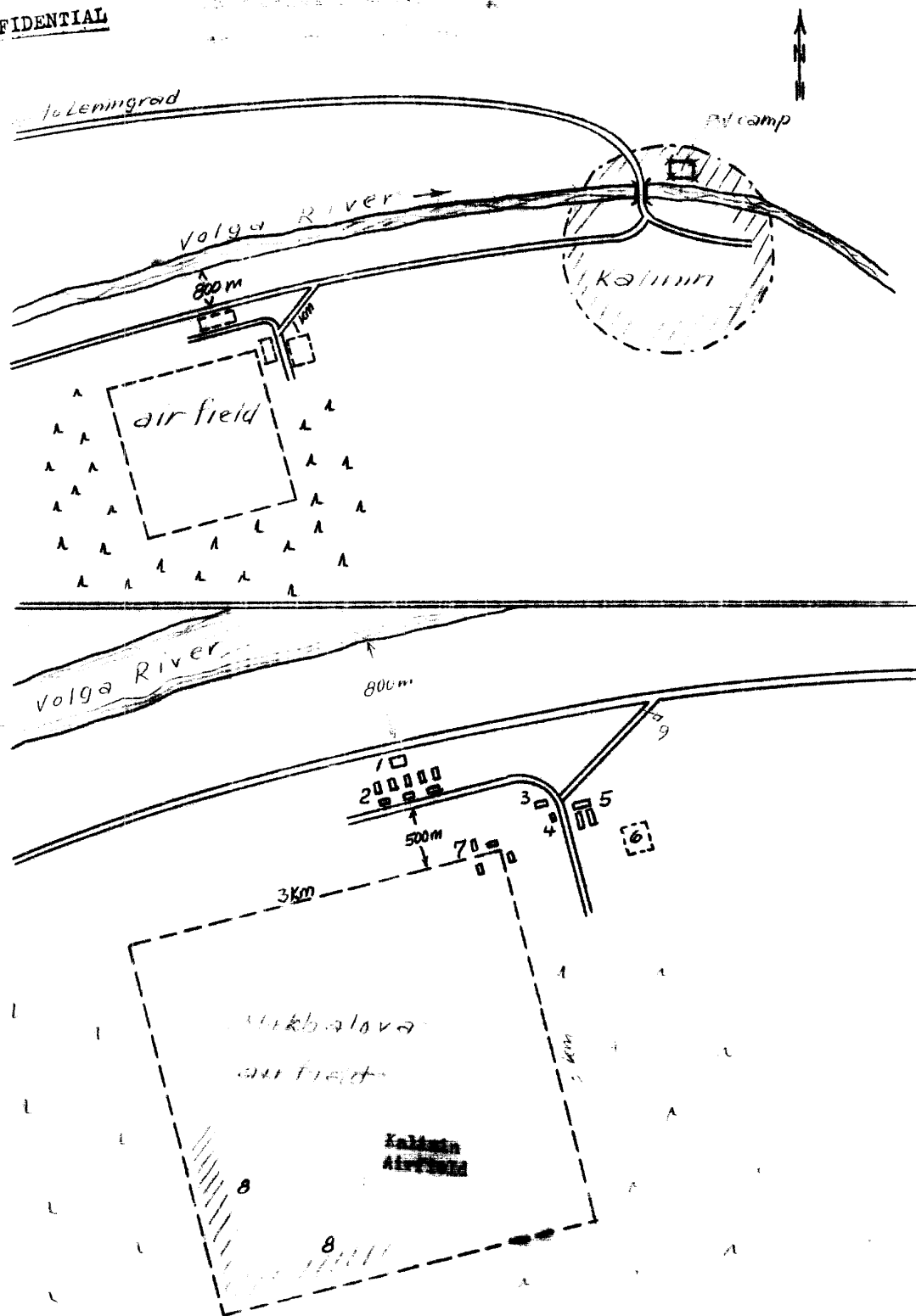
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KALININ AIRFIELD



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Legend:

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| 1 - Boilerhouse       | 6 - Radio station                    |
| 2 - Officers' billets | 7 - Contonment buildings             |
| 3 - Residential block | 8 - Parked aircraft                  |
| 4 - Bath              | 9 - Guardhouse with turnpike barrier |
| 5 - Barracks          |                                      |

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